

20 August 1964

General Carter:

1. Bill McAfee of State called Commander Duckett early in August regarding TACKLE overflights over China. He was seeking to get background information for Secretary Rusk who was having a meeting with the President and the Director, and wanted some background information for the Secretary. The questions generally were: the number of overflights since the program began, what is the vulnerability of the U-2, comparative utility of the J-57 U-2 and the J-75, and what are the pros and cons of TACKLE. Would you be interested in seeing the responses that were given him? ☒ Yes ☐ No.

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2. Bud Wheelon has forwarded a memo on the anti-missile and anti-satellite capability of the new Soviet "HEN HOUSE" radar. Would you be interested in seeing this? ☒ Yes ☐ No.

3. Jack Earman has prepared a comparison of Roger Hilsman's Look Magazine article and the report to the PFIAB on the Cuban arms build-up. Jack believes it is evident that Hilsman used documentary sources, either the report itself or the documents upon which it was based. Do you wish to read? ☒ Yes ☐ No.

4. Des Fitzgerald has forwarded a report on the status of the FBI investigations of the plans of Cuban Exiles to assassinate Cuban Government leaders. You will recall that this matter was discussed in the 303 Committee in late July. They have interviewed everyone concerned, and all deny any knowledge of the plot. ✓

5. Bill Colby has forwarded a review of the operations undertaken under Oplan 34A during July. The report notes that continuous recon and SIGINT missions were conducted; two successful maritime operations which involve the capture of North Vietnamese crew members and later freeing them; two successful maritime ops destroying buildings and communications facilities on Hon Me and Hon Ngu Islands; overflights dumped 5 1/2 million leaflets and 8,000 gift kits in North Vietnam. Do you wish to read? ☐ Yes ☒ No.

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